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STATEMENT OF STATUS AND SUPPORT FOR CHANGES TO CLAIMS UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.173(c)

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Sir:

Changes to the claims are presented in the Amendment attached herewith. This paper presents a status of claims and support for changes to claims under §1.173(c) for all claims amended from the parent of this reissue patent application (U.S. Patent No. 5,848,492).

STATUS OF CLAIMS

Claims 1-18, 22-42 and 44-46 are pending, and Claims 19-21 and 43 have been cancelled.

SUPPORT FOR CHANGES TO CLAIMS

Claim 1, as presented herein, corrects a typographical error in previous amendments. Specifically, previous amendments to Claim 1 mistakenly did not include a period symbol after the symbol "F" for Fahrenheit that is found in the original patent claims. Claim 1, as currently amended, includes the period. Claim 1 also includes a previous amendment, presented in

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Support for Amendments of Supplemental Amendment of January 4, 2005

Preliminary Amendment "B" of February 16, 2001, that corrects the typographical error of reciting "supersaturated steam" instead of "saturated steam." The term "saturated steam" has antecedent basis in the original Claim 1. Support for the amendment, if needed, is found in Fig. 2 and the discussion of that figure at column 6, lines 22-27.

Claim 12 as amended herein corrects a typographical error in previous claim amendments, as in Claim 1, wherein the period after the symbol "F" was mistakenly not included. Claim 12, as currently amended, is in the original form of Claim 12 of U.S. Patent 5,848,492. As such, Claim 12 stands unamended from the original and is supported by the original Claim 12.

If the Examiner should feel that a telephone interview would be productive in resolving issues in the case, he is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number listed below.

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SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION FOR REISSUE PATENT APPLICATION

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I verily believe the original patent to be wholly or partly inoperative or invalid by reason of the patentee claiming more or less than he had the right to claim in the patent.

At least one error upon which reissue is based is that the patentee claimed less that he had a right to claim in not claiming an agricultural method of delivering superheated steam to inhibit a growth on a plant having a graft. This subject matter, which the patentee considers to be patentable, is presented, for example, in Claim 22 of the reissue patent application.

In addition, I hereby declare that every error in the patent which was corrected in the present relsaue application, and which is not covered by the prior oath(s) and/or declaration(s) submitted in this application, arose without any deceptive intention on the part of the applicant.

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